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Minutes of Planning Commission

May 12, 2009

Present: Winnie Lewis, John Regan, Chris Clark, Richard Mais, Susan Klein, Win Abbott and Agnes DiPietrantonio

Absent: Phil Craig

Members of the Public Present: None

Subject: Comprehensive Plan Implementation

Meeting called to order 2:35 PM by Chair Winnie Lewis.

Approve minutes of 04/14/09 regular meeting

Motion to approve—Chris Clark

Second – Richard Mais

All in favor to approve minutes. Minutes approved.

Liaison Reports.

Lois Twilley – None

John Regan – None

Susan Klein – None

Phil Craig – Not present; no report

Chris Clark – None

Richard Mais –None

Winnie Lewis – C&O audio of the last meeting is on line. Mrs. Lewis noted that the committee received a letter from Tim Collins regarding the possible enclosing of trash containers.

DISCUSSION

Chris Clark advised that members of the commercial committee expressed concerns about the trash container measure before the C&O. Commercial members question the different treatment of residential trash containers and commercial containers. Mr. Clark noted that the committee believes that a standard should be applied town-wide regardless of zoning. Members wondered why vegetation could not be used to screen commercial trash containers; vegetation is more attractive than other methods of screening. A few members believe that the installation of an enclosure would make it difficult for trash haulers to access their containers.

Mr. Clark hopes that the application of an overlay district (public workshop Saturday 6/13/09 10am – noon) might address some of the commercial committee's concerns. Mr. Clark will attend the next C&O meeting on 6/2/09 @9:30am. Win Abbot advised that the C&O committee will be exploring the trash container topic further and anticipates a 24 month phase-in if any regulations are enacted. There was no formal action taken at the last C&O meeting. Richard Mais noted that there is a big difference in size for the residential vs. commercial trash containers and that this should be taken into consideration. John Regan asked if the C&O has considered any action on the apartment over commercial issue and attainable housing. Mr. Abbott noted that his experience has shown that council will decide what they want to do about the issue.

Discussion and Possible Action.

- **Cultural and Historic Preservation Sub-committee – Old Fenwick Island Days**

In the interest of time, Mrs. Lewis dispensed with the sub-committee report this month. Old Fenwick Island Days is quickly becoming a major activity.

- **Parks and Recreation Advisory Group**

Winnie Lewis advised that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Group will meet on Thursday May 14 @2PM.

- **Finalize Annual Report to the State of Delaware**

Members reviewed the draft making a few changes to responses to action items.

Motion to accept the current draft with suggested changes and forward to council for approval before sending to the State – Richard Mais

Second – Susan Klein

All in favor

Motion passed.

Next Meeting Date.

Tuesday June 9, 2009 @2:30PM

Public Participation

None

Motion to adjourn – Chris Clark

Second – Richard Mais

All in favor

Meeting adjourned 3:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Winnie Lewis, Chair

Agnes DiPietrantonio TOFI Recorder